

JAN 08 2004

**AMENDMENT UNDER  
37 C.F.R. §1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 3738**

Address to:  
Mail Stop AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Attorney Docket	PAIX-002CON
Confirmation No.	9912
First Named Inventor	Preissman
Application Number	09/828,539
Filing Date	April 5, 2001
Group Art Unit	3738
Examiner Name	Cheryl Miller
Title	ENHANCED VISIBILITY MATERIALS FOR IMPLANTATION IN HARD TISSUE

Sir:

Entry of the following Amendment is requested. This Amendment is submitted After Final and the Examiner Answer to the Appeal Brief filed October 10, 2003, but prior to transfer to the Board. Thus, its entry is permitted.

Applicants submit that the amendments set forth below raise no new issues. Rather, the amendments place the claims in form for allowance or in better form for appeal. Entry of these amendments is thus respectfully requested.